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1. The following were present:

Mr. Clinton	State
Major Jacobson	Army
Lieut. Madden	Navy
Major Malone	Air Force
	CIA (Chairman)
	CIA (Vice Chairman)
	CIA (Statistician)

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2. NIS Collection Improvement

The Chairman noted considerable improvement in recent attache reports. Not only were field offices following up on gaps and deficiencies in "Comments on Principal Sources", but they were also checking published NIS with observations made in the course of field trips, thereby materially improving the accuracy of information already in contributors' files. In one instance an attache had noted a new main access road to a landing beach which, in his opinion, called for re-evaluation of the beach as a new secondary strategic route into the country. The Chairman said that such reporting would do much to raise the qualitative standards of basic intelligence. He urged all members to encourage this type of field collection by their agencies.

3. NIS 66

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A resume of discussions regarding the development of the NIS on [redacted] between the Assistant Director, ORR, [redacted] was distributed to each member for examination with a view to further discussion at the next meeting of the NIS Committee. The Chairman noted that [redacted] sets forth reasons for not starting production of certain NIS elements and he requested the members to obtain their agencies' position on these points by the next meeting. As a result, the NIS Committee should be able to provide considerable guidance to [redacted] in the further development of NIS 66.

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4. NIS 100

Relative to realignment of the NIS production schedules for the SE Asian Areas discussed at the last meeting, the Army member reported that the Engineers have confirmed the substitution of Sections 20, 21, and 24 on NIS Area 100 (Indonesia) for the same sections on NIS 55 (Ethiopia). The

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dates of submission remain the same. In respect to further requirements on these areas, the Navy member reported that CINCPAC had sufficient basic intelligence to deal with any critical situation which might develop and consequently did not attach as high a priority to further requirements as did CINCPAC.

### 5. Chapter II Production on NIS 45

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The Chairman inquired about the status of Chapter II production on [REDACTED] since the Chapter II contributions from the Far East Command were delivered to Army more than a year ago. The Army member replied the Engineers were working on the final drafts. He said they had been omitted from the production schedule because of the uncertainty of capabilities which could be assigned to this work.

### 6. Production Forecast

The Chairman reviewed the production forecast for FY 1956, 1957, and 1958, noting that the Committee was to examine this forecast not in terms of capabilities, but as a basis for narrowing the number of areas currently being worked on and tying up loose ends to make a more efficient operation. He then turned the meeting over to the Vice Chairman for further discussion of the forecast.

The Committee established tentative planning schedules for Chapter I as follows:

#### Schedule for FY 1956

<u>NIS Area</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date due in CIA</u>
NIS 35	India	1 Jul 55
26	USSR	30 Sep 55
53	Egypt	31 Oct 55
9	Spain	30 Nov 55
18	Czechoslovakia	31 Jan 56
8	Portugal	28 Feb 56
5	Belgium	30 Apr 56
28	Syria & Lebanon	31 May 56

#### Schedule for FY 1957

<u>NIS Area</u>	<u>Title</u>
NIS 6	Luxembourg
29	Jordan
3	France
4	Netherlands
19	Hungary
23	Bulgaria
27	Turkey
36	Pakistan

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Partial Schedule for FY 1958

<u>NIS Area</u>	<u>Title</u>
NIS 30	Iraq
17	Italy
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[REDACTED]	
38	Burma

The Vice Chairman requested that <sup>25X6A</sup> [REDACTED] be given to the treatment of Chapters I for segmented areas, such as [REDACTED] NIS 39 (China), NIS 41 (Korea), and NIS 43 (Indochina).

The Vice Chairman reported that the 1955 Production Schedule has been firmed and the revised schedule showing all changes will be available shortly.

7. Changes in FY '55 Production

The Committee approved a proposal by the Army member for dropping from the FY 1955 schedule three maintenance sections (Section 35M of NIS 32, Section 35M of NIS 33, and Section 31M of NIS 53) and Section 35 and Supplement I of NIS 100. This proposal does not lower production below the requirement of eight equivalent NIS per year as set by the JCS.

8. The next meeting of the NIS Committee is scheduled for 1000 hours on Tuesday, 23 November 1954.

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